

NEWS OF HORSES AND HORSEMEN

The Scene at the Norfolk Track Quite a Busy One Now.

KITTY R., 2:08 1-4, IS THERE.

Virginia Well Represented in the Big Steeple Chase at Washington, The Deep Run Bunt Club Races.

ciety's half-mile track at Norfolk, Va., is outte a busy one new, and a greater number of fast trotters and pacers are quartered there than during any previous season. A large portion of the horses on the grounds have wintered there, while others have but recently arrived. The track is one of the best in the South, and is kept in first-class shape. The dargest stable there is that of John Mariner, the principal owner of the grounds and financial backer of the Association, who will campaign some good horses this season. That very capable trainer and driver, Charles Atkinson, who has been very successful, both as a developer of speed and race driver, will do the teaming for Mr. Mariner, as he did in 1898 and 1899.

Atkinson is well informed on pedigrees and can drive a good ways and seed and seed on the seed of the se

and can drive a good race. The stable includes the bay pacing nare Kitty R., 2:601-4, who is faster than her record in ductors and lowers. 2:031-4, who is faster than her record in dicates, and looked upon as good enough to win in select company. Geer's old pupil the bay gelding Walter S. 2:12 1-2, who has been set to pacing and will be campaigned at that gail this season; Wilton Boy, 2:14 1-4, pacing, by Wilton; Miss Grace, 2:15 1-2, pacing bay mare, by Constantine; Irene, 2:18 1-2, bay mare, by Eagle Bird; Norval M., 2:19 1-4, bay gelding, by Norval; Too Soon, 2:29 1-4, bay gelding, by Allerton; Lelation, chestnut filly, 4, by Allerton; the handsome and very promising brown horse Bow Bells, Jr., 5, by Bow Bells, dam Tampa, by Nutwood, and seven others, trotters Bells, Jr., 5, by Bow Bells, dam Taling, by Nutwood, and seven others, trotters and pacers, without records, but regarded as the making of race horses and money winners. John Seeley, who developed the great pacer Joe Patchen. 2:0 1-4, is at the track with nine head, owned by Judge J. D. Yeomans, of Iowa. Judge Yeomans has recently purchased, in conjunction with F. D. Stout, of Dubuque, Iowa, former owner of Nutwood, 2:18 3-4, a fine with F. D. Stout, of Dislocate, lower, former owner of Nutwood, 2:18 3-4, a fine farm in Northern Virginia, and will breed trotters on it. Seeley's stable includes Ainsworth, 2:10 2-4, pacing, bay gelding, by Parker, son of Alcantara; Ahead, 2:15by Parker, son of Alcantara; Ahead, 2:151-2, pacing, by Ambassador, out of Lowland Girl, 2:191-4, by Legal Tender, Jr.,
Frank Patchen, 2:15-1-2, pacing, black
gelding, by Joe Patchen, and George
R. Peck, brown horse, by Joe Patchen,
out of Adele Tyler, dam of four in the
list, in addition to these Seeley has some
very promising green trotters and pacers
by prominent sires of speed, W. E. Foster, who hails from Bradford, Penn. who hails from Bradford, Penn. ter, who hails from Bradford, Penn., has a stable of seven head, including Broker, 2:161-2, pacing; the gray mare sapphire, 2:17 1-4, and others by such sires as Rubenstein. Alacanada, Wilksonian and Longworth. Several local truiners are also quartered at the track, among them Colin Steele, who has ten ten or twelve trotters and pacers in his ten or twelve trotters and pacers in his stable, among them being Annie Mariner. 2:231-4. Little Stakes, 2:241-4, by Great Stakes, 2:20 and Dot, 2:241-4. Other stables are expected shortly from Tennessee and Alabama and other Southern States, which will remain and take part in the annual spring meeting which begins on May 14th and continues four days.

Assistant Secretary Algernon Dainger-field forwards me the programme of the

field forwards me the programme of the spring meeting of the Washington Jockey Club and writes that the prospect is very the 2d instant, and closes on Saturday, the 14th. Over two bundred horses are stabled on the grounds, among them the

of the National Steeplechase and Hunt | Club lo provide good racing free from of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association, that have been regularly hunted during the season 1800-1800, owned and ridden by members or recognized hunts in Maryland, Virginia and the Dis-triet of Columbia. By subscription of \$10 each, play or pay. The Washington Jockey Club to add plate of the value of Scale and plate of the value of \$169 and a purse of the value of \$250, of which \$150, the subscription money and the plate to the winner. The second to receive \$160, and the third \$50 of the purse. N. B.—Hunt Clubs and individual sub-scribers may make as many entries as hey desire.

WEIGHTS, PENALTIES AND ALLOW-ANCES.
Four-year-olds to carry 148 pounds; five-Four-year-olds to carry 148 pounds; five-rear-olds, 167 pounds; s'x-year-olds and over, 176 pounds, Mares allowed, as by rule, 5 pounds; geldings, 3 pounds. Pen-itles,—Winners in 1898 or 1869 to carry 8 pounds extra. No horse shall through henalties carry more than 189 pounds. A 110 wanne es.—Half-breds allowed 19 sounds; half, breds that have never startunds; half-breds that have never startpounds; half-breds that have never started, allowed 15 pounds; half-breds, both sire and dam unknown, allowed 29 pounds; gentlemen never having ridden a winner, allowed 8 pounds. No horse by allowance can carry less than 139 pounds. Note.—Allowances for half-breds must

claimed when the horses are named and are not cumulative. Overweight allowed to any amount, if claimed by the time announced for the first race of the

About three miles over the Steeplechaso Course of the Washington Jockey Chib, which will be altered to better suit the character of the race.

H. Rozier Dulamy (Piedmont Hunt, Va.), b. g. Ochiltree, 5, by Tom Ochiltree or Galore—imp. Hester.

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H. Rozier Dulany (Pledmont Hunt, Va.), b. g. Emory, 4, by King Hazem— Mimosa (h. b.)

J. D. Hall, Jr., (Pine Hill Huat, Va.), br. g. Riley, 6, by Monticello—Smart Girl. E. O. Hayes (Warrenton Hum, Va.), br. g. Taghairm, 4, by imp. Inverness— Trade Wind.

W. C. Hayes (Warrenton Hunt, Va.), W. C. Hayes (Warrenton Hunt, Va.), b. g. Champion, 4, by imp. Cavalier-May

Bee.

J. D. Hooe (Warrenton Hunt, Va.), ch.

D. C.), ch. m. Jacobel, 5, by Jacobite-dam by Harold.

W. K. Levering (Elkridge Fox Hunting Club, Md), b. g. Young Exile, 4, by Exile-Fidele.

A. C. Marshall (Piedmont Hunt, Va.),
b. m. La Toraine, 5, by Yucatan-Marga-

ret.
J. Henry McCauley (Pledmont Hunt, Va.), b. g. Sacket, 6, by Bersan-Catheb. g. Sacket, 6, by Bersan-Cathe-

T. Nelson Page (Chevy Chase Club, D. C.), b. g. Hobson, 4, sire and dam half red. F. A. B. Portman (Warrenton Hunt,

dam half bred. C. W. Smith (Warrenton Hunt, Va.), ch. g. Mr. Fore Paw, 4, by St. Carolus-Queen of the Forest.

E. L. Smith (Elkridge Hunt, Md.). b. g. Diver, 5, by Clear the Way—Di Ver-

Paid forfeit, one each, Chevy Chase Club, E. K. Salisbury and E. L. Smith.

During a recent visit to the Blue Grass region of Kentucky Mr. W. C. Marshall, of Marshall & Thompson, breeders of thoroughbreds, harness and saddle horses, Warrenton, Va., visited the noted Cas-tleton stud, of James R. and Foxball P. theton stud, of James R. and Foxfail P. Keene, Lexington, and secured the grand locking black stallion Blackcock, foaled in 1896, by Pontlac, out of Bennie Doon, by Rapid Rhone, second dam the famous Queen Mary, and will place him in the stud at Warrenton. Blackcock is 16:2 is height and of powerful muscular devel-opment. He will be used as sire of huntopment. He will be used as size of num-ers and jumpers, and should make his mark in the stud. In addition to Black-cock, Marshall & Thompson have H.S Grace, a big chestnut son of Eolus, and Circussian, the son of Alam that sired Mars Chan, one of the best steeplechase beared Vigning has produced horses Virginia has produced.

Secretary P. A. S. Brine and the Race Committee, of the Deep Run Hunt Club, made up of Messrs. J. T. Anderson, E. H. Savage and H. C. Beattle, are bus: H. Savage and H. C. Beattle, are busy arranging the details of the annual syring race meeting of the club, which has been dixed for Thursday, May 17th, during Carnival Week, when thousands of visitors from other sections will be in the city, objectionable features and of a kind well calculated to elevate the sphere of country sport, merits the generous patronage and support of the best class

Smyth Bros., of the Southern Horse Hazaar, held one of the best sales of the season on Wednesday last, disposing of several hundred horacs of all grades. Buyers and dealers from various sections were out in lorce, while hidding was spirited and prices realized were satisfactory to consigners. The offerings included the fast bay pacing gelding Smith O'Brien, 2:19-14, by Aparka, dam Ada M., 2:20, by Corsair, who fell to S. T. Clay's bid of \$2.5, while the speedy chestnut mare, Belle McGregor, 2:29-3-4, by Barl McGregor, ett of Mamie, by General Fleicher, went to Frank T. Mills, Wilmington, N. C., for \$250. On Wednesday next, the 4th inst., at their regular semi-weekly auction sale the Messrs. Smyth wild dispose of 29 car loads of heres, consigned by well-known Kentucky and Hilmois shippers, U. G. Saunders, of Mills, Milmington, of Hills. everal hundred horses of all grade linois shippers, U. G. Saunders, of Hills-boro Ky., and William G. Hart, of Mt. Sterling, Ky., will sell three carloads of extra-line combined saddle and harness also some matched pairs and

Bunn died at his home in Eleomington, Ill., on March 15th, aged 39 years. Eddie Lisle, by Virgil, won the Froeklyn Handl-cap in 1890 from The Bard, Castaway, IL, who now heads the stud of U.S. Senator Thomas S. Martin, Scottsville, Va., was

Mr. Joseph Lasitter, of the Richmond Horse Bazanr, whose semi-weekly auction-sales of horses of all grades attract buyers from various sections, is also well known as a breeder and owner of fast trotters, having now in his stable such horses as Kodras, 2:151-4; Firewood, 2:171-4, and Robert Ransom, 2:20-3-4. The latter is a grand looking brown stallion, of splendid size and muscular development, sired by Gambetta, son of Volunteer; dam Black Maria, by C. M. Clay, Jr., 22. Robert Ransom has been placed in the stud during the present season and can be seen at the Richmond Horse Bacan be seen at the Richmond Horse Bazaar on East Franklin Street.

The Virginia-bred mare Charlna, a six-The Virginia-bred mare Charina, a six-year-old bay daughter of Imp. Charax-us and Clash, by Eolus, was campaigned in England tast season by Alec. Coving-tion and won about \$4,600. She started in fourteen races, winning four, getting third pace in one and finishing behind the money nine times. Charina, was claim-ed out of a selling race at Chicago in 1888, by Covington, from J. W. Schorr f. Sen. of Alexands. Ten. & Son, of Memphis, Tenn.

Among the winners at the recent New Orleans meeting was the bay colt Grayless, by Jim Gray, out of Fearless, by imp. St. Blaise, bred and owned by A. D. Payne, of the Annita Stud, Charlottesville, Va. Grayless defeated Volnadies, Sister Fox and nine offices, running six and a half furlongs in 1:28 over a heavy track.

The Ellerslie bred filly Eonic, 2, by

Eno, out of Mermaid, by imp. St. Blaise, won at San Francisco on March 20th, de-feating a field of fourteen at three and a half turlongs in forty-two seconds. The half furionss ... track was fast.

The grand combination sale of horses to The grand combination sale of norses to be held by the McCleary and McClellan Live Stock Company, of Norfolk, at their mammoth sale mart in that city on Tuesday, April 17th, will afford an opportunity for those in search of high-class horses to supply themselves. Well known horses to supply themselves. Well known shippers and owners from the most prominent breeding centres will be represented by choice consignments, while the offerings will include speedy trotters and pacers, fast road horses, combined saddle and harness horses, matched pairs and a large number of good general purpose and business horses. The sale compences at 10 A. M. and catalogues can be mences at 10 A. M. and catalogues can be had from the McCleary and McClellan Live Stock Company, Norfolk, Va.

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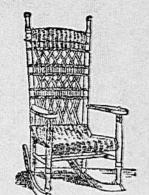
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the sheriff will relieve him and let him out, and that it is just as well to "pass him up" now, rather than be a mourner at a mercantile funeral; and you drop him and pass on. There are others—others

whom it is a pleasure to meet, and whose

Good-bye, old grip!
On many a trip
We have braved the world together,
With grinding wear and lashing whip
And snubs of men and sales that slip.
Through storm and sunny weather;
And on my face
They leave their trace.

They leave their trace,
As on your battered leather.

With not a thought of treason

You know, old grip,
That many a tip
For you has been demanded,
And sometimes I have had to skip
When I had neither coin or scrip,
Though starting out full-handed;
Yet, you and I
Would not say die,
However we were stranded.

You are my friend,

You know old grip.

Ah. me, old grip!

THE DRUMMER ON HIS ROUNDS

Richmond T. P. A.'s Hustling to Secure the Prizes.

KNIGHT OF GRIP UP AGAINST IT.

Pen Pictures of the Man He Has to Approach and Interest in the " Bargains of the

Age."

The T. P. A.'s are hustling for the prizes offered by the State Division for and it is stated that there are few mem-bers who cannot easily win one of these prizes. Writes a member: "We have many who can win the best, while there

waiting an opportunity to approach one of those merchants who he will style the autocrat of the village store. Many of his readers will recall having been similarly situated, and will readily recognize the aforesaid autocrat. You perhaps have heard of him before visiting him. He is one of those august personages who have pursuaded themselves they are absolute monarchs of their waiting an opportunity to appr they are absolute monarchs of arroundings. You discover this as you in wait to catch his eye and car. He he in wait to caten his eye and ear. In is apparently insensible to your presence as he passes and repasses the place where you are sitting, and is seemingly absorbed over matters of "great pith and moment." You realize that you are it moment." You realize that you are in the presence of the autocrat before making his acquaintance, and you find yourself involuntarily taking an inventory of his probable wealth and standing. If you begin at first by comparing him with the merchant princes of the day, he is bound to suffer by the comparison, while you will not only e comparison; while you will not only wasting valuable time, but are liable be wisting valuable in a labyrinth of speculation from which you will emerge with a decidedly prejudicial view of the autocrat. Besides time is valuable. Do autocrat. Besides time is valuable. Do not, therefore, permit yourself to enter a field like this at such a time, but hold yourself in readiness to take advantage of the first favorable opportunity to approach, if such time should come. If you must speculate upon your surroundings let it be upon the size of the order you hope to get. This is an all sufficient speculation, and one, too, in which you simply start from zero and advance step by step, as fancy shall dictate. Of course, he is just now a very busy manhas been ever since you entered the course, he is just now a very busy man-has been ever since you entered the store, not waiting on customers, or put-ting up goods or working on his books, or making changes in his stock, er get-ting rid of accumulations of dust which you have noticed everywhere. He is not busy cleaning up round the stove, nor cleaning out the old sawdust spittoons with their abominable accumulations of stubs and quids: nothing of this kind.

cleaning out the old sawdust spittoons with their abominable accumulations of stubs and quids; nothing of this kind. He is just simply busy, unapproachably busy, forbiddingly busy, studiously neglectfully busy, importunately busy. You wait. Will he see you? Will he note your presence? Above all, will he abate that forbidding, austere demeanor long enough to admit of your approach. If he would just only delign to give you one pleasant look, but he doesn't.

GO AFTIER, HIM.

What shall you do? If you could obey BROAD ROCK. What shall you do? If you could obey your feelings you would, no doubt, like to spring into the middle of the floor near him, giving forth an Indian yell, and, jerking out a revolver, proceed to perforate holes through the various ar-

your eyes upon him. It is plain that you must risk everything and walk right up to him, breaking over his regal reserve, to place your business before him. You have done so, and now you stand before this august personage, who is staring at you as if uncertain as to how you came to obtrude yourself upon him, and seeming to be debating with himself as to how he will dispose of your remains after he has annihilated you. He may now condescend to scrutinize, the business card you have handed him, and may relax sufficiently to speak to you. You may now be thoroughly frightened, but you must control yourself; this is a critical moment. On your life, do not let him discover your perturbation in look, act or word: If you do you are undone. Just strive to assume that air of non-chalance you might be expected to assume were you confronting the King of the Cannibal Islands, as the accredited representative and minister plenipotentiary of your government. You see the whole matter thus far has been one of diplomacy, in which this autocrat of the village store has been playing the leading hand. Your turn now; he has been striving all along to impress you with his importance, and you are now passing inspection in his mind's eye. Woe be to you if you flinch at this supreme moment. whom it is a pleasure to meet, and whose acquaintance you cherish. These are found more numerously along by the way-side, and their friendly greetings as you go forward, help to throw a little sunshine across the otherwise gloomy path of the weary, waywern traveler, and to relieve the tedium of his sojournings. broken through the crust, may prove a jolly good fellow, in his own way. When jolly good fellow, in his own way. When he begins to warm up a little you are enabled to see that he has been simply playing a part, and you find that he is stamped with enough of the leaven of humanity to take his place among ordinary mortals. He is unfortunate in his treatment of travelling men, however, and you hear him unfavorably spoken of by others. He gets credit for being an undesirable person to meet. Happily, he is not populous along your route.

HE WAS "WORKED,"

Now here is another specimen one meets his wanderings. He is the chap who quotes fictitionsy low prices on goods, that he has bought (this in a whisper), the fellow with the transparent lie on his tongue. He wishes you to think that his predominating shrewdness is such that he corners the market in buying. He is not the keen, shrewd business man, nor the man weil up in his lines. He discovers this to you unintentionally in the course of his conversation, and you find yourself disposed to rebuke him bluntly; but configurations of the service of the conversation of the conversation. The network of you I sip to you I sip yo fellow with the transparent lie on his this to you unintentionally in the course of his conversation, and you find yourself disposed to rebuke him bluntly; but control yourself for the nonce-humoring patronizingly, laughing inwardly meantime, as you gather from himself how he has been "worked" in a business way, with leaders, and has paid full price as interest for his presumption in deals with "taat fellow ahead." This specimen, like the first, is found along the way of the worked. found along the way, at intervals, and is entitled to plty, for he invokes a departure from plain business methods, and finds his counterpart in threwdness in the traveler, who baits his limited knowledge with cut prices, only to recoup losses where ignorance shields overcharge. This method of doing business could not obtain may be styled the "smart alleck" of mer-cantile life. He enjoys a marked distinction, not being so numerous as to appear at all times and places, in fact, he is among the rarities. The astute traveler readily recognizes him and soon has him seated upon the throne of his own selfconceit, by accepting apparently as gospel concert, by accepting apparently as gospel truth all wilful perversions of fact that this "smart alleck" may see fit to indulge in, by way of showing that the market breaks whenever he essays to "bull prices." Meantime our traveler will be mentally assorting his "bait for suckers." "COME OFF."

The moral to be drawn from these two pen pictures is an invitation to "come off your perch, pretty birds." Then there is the follow in business who is manifestly out of place. He don't know,

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We never know
How dear they grow How dear they grow Till friends are left behind us! Or palace cars in splendor! Good-bye, old grip! Good-bye, old grip!
And so I clip
And lock you up forever!
For absent hearts their faith outstrip.
And sundered hands will lose their grp
In spite of all endeavor—
To love my wife
I give my life.
No more from them to sever! Boer Strategy.

The second stage of the war may in-deed prove very short; but if so it will not be due to strictly military considera-tions, but to the sensible decision to give up a hopeless resistance. Although so tiny a people, the Boers have already inflioted fearful punishment upon the immotest fearth pumsament upon the great empire that is opposing them. Our readers will remember that in the exchange of predictions before the war began English statesmen and English generals alike had taken the view that generals alike had taken the view that the march to Pretoria would be a practically bloodless holiday picnic, while President Kruger's prediction was that if the English marched to Pretoria they must expect to do it with the loss of 10,000 men. What happened was the Boers, by way of preliminary s the Boers, by way of preliminary strategy, went over into English territory to meet the enemy as he approached, with the result of indicting a loss about equal to Kruger's prediction before the war had got as far as Transvaal territory. The English rejoicing over Cronje's capture and the relief of Ladysmith and Visibally was a great lest mount that Kimberley was so great last month that many readers of the newspapers were misled into supposing that these events were great victories in the military sense and that the war was virtually sense and that the war was virtually ended. It is not strange that the English relatives and friends of the 12,000 men of General White's army, who were on short rations and suffering from disease at Ladysmith, were overjoyed when the Boers gave up the slege and withdrew. But it should be borne in mind that from the strict military point of the 14th Over two hundred horses are stabled on the grounds, among them the famous black mare Imp, who has several engagements for this meeting. One of the most popular events scheduled for the meeting is the Spring Hunter's race a couple of steeplechase, to be run off on Saturday next, the 7th instant. The conditions and list of entires follow:

Steeplechase—For hunters, four years old am upward, qualized index the first of the Doep Run Hunt old am upward, qualized index the first house the delty, and numbers of them will grasp the opportunity to witness the well-arranged portunity to witness the well-arranged propriate the from the clty, or feelings you would, no doubt, like to spring into the middle of the floor portunity to witness the well-arranged programme provided for the occasion. Some of the Western cities, and has one singing recently in some of the Western cities, and has open that shall you do? If you could obey your feelings you would, no doubt, like to spring into the middle of the floor near him, giving forth an Indian yell, one of the Western cities, and has open that the season was promptly to from the season was promptly to found utility hanging overtices of household utility hanging overt

and don't want to know. You wonder by what misguided fate he landed in mercantile business, or why he continues in it. You realize that if he stays long enough done the Beers no particular good to paign. This piece of Boer strategy was carried out with brilliant success from the beginning to the end. It would have done the Boers no particular good to capture Ladysmith, imasmuch as the position itself would have been valueless and they would have had White's army to guan, and feed as prisoners of war. So long as they could maintain the siege. to guar, and reed as prisoners of war-So long as they could maintain the siego-the army was virtually imprisoned, while compelled to find its own supplies. When at length the massing of immense English armies made the Ladysmith siege no longer feasible, the Boers quiet-ty decorted with their guas and mulnear Ladysmith had been only 7,000 or 8,000 strong, though it had effectually penned up 12,000 British soldiers under General White and repeatedly repulsed a great army of relief under General Buller. General Joubert, as chief in command of a body of undisciplined Boer farmers, had for months outwitted and outfought about seven times as large a force of British troops led by famous generals, and had then retired in fairly good order and fighting trim, having ingood order and fighting trim, having it licted greater losses upon the enemy than had been visited upon his men in return.—From "The Progress of the World." in the American Monthly Re-view of Reviews for April.

Japanese Treaty Revision, It is true that for twenty-three years

It is true that for twenty-three years the Japanese had been clamoring in vain for a revision of the old treaties, and that they were perfectly justified in pressing this claim. On the other hand, the avowed object on the part of the Japanese was persistently to bring foreign residents and vistors under Japanese jurisdiction—a demand which was absurd. This was the purpose of the first representative embassy under the first representative embassy under the Kuge Iwakura Tomomi, which reached Washington in 1873. Every intelligent man acquainted with the country opposed Japan's claims to be intrusted with power over the life and property of a foreigner. foreigner.

swerable reasons. The Japanese possess ed no written codes, and in criminal cases tetture was resorted to for many years to extract a confession. Besides this, the joi, or anti-foreign spirit, was dally growing more and more rumpent among all classes, and there was ample evidence from cases brought against Japanese and adjudicated in their courts Japanese and adjudicated in their courts that foreigners could not obtain justice against a native. These facts prevented the heads of legations at Tokyo from recommending a favorable consideration of Japan's reiterated requests, until on July 17, 1894, it was suddenly announced that Lord Salisbury had signed the revised treaty, granting all of Japan's devised treaty, granting all of Japan's devised treaty, granting all of Japan's mands on condition that it should go mans on consistent that it should be into effect after five years, and provided that at that time the written codes should have been in operation for one year. After this decisive act of Great Britain the other treaty Powers could no longer resist, and Japan's most ardent desire was fulled. vas fulfilled. It was more than a mistake-it was a

crime against Japan's real progress.
Marquis Ito, then Prime Minister, had
opposed the treaty, as is fully proved by
the British Blue Book of 1894, in which
the negotiations are published at length. That the Japanese were clamoring for an authority which they would surely thuse was no more excuse for granting it than for an over-indulgent parent to give his child unrise fruit because it cries for it. Admitting that Japan had adopted written codes and that they had been in operation for a year, it would have been a duty to examine these laws. The discovery must have followed that they might suit a Christian nation from whom they had been copied, but that it was ridiculous to expect an essentially Oriental people to obey them. Because our ladies look well dressed in the costumes they were it does not follow that our ladies look well dressed in the cos-tumes they wear, it does not follow that their Japanese sisters appear to advantage in similar dresses. Indeed, the Japanese women have wisely discarded our fashions and returned to their kimono and obi. Even so the codes now in existence in Japan have been quietly disregarded by the authorities when they clashed with old-established usages.—From "Japan's New Era," by R. van Bergen, in the American Monthly Review of Re-

Germs.

"Doctor, I wonder if I'm not getting Ouite possibly. The bacillus of old age is very prevalent this spring."-Detroit

Ensy Metho Johnson-Jackson, how would you get

Johnson—Jackson, how into society?

Jackson—Oh, if I felt like it, and had the clothes, and was invited. I'd got—in-